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SUBJECT: U.S. AID TO EGYPT

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1. IN THE COURSE OF A DISCUSSION OF AID TO EGYPT (REFTEL) PRINCE SAUD, SAUDI MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, ASSERTED THAT THE U.S. TALKED A GREAT AID GAME BUT DELIVERED LITTLE. HE SAID THE AMERICAN ADMINISTRATION HAD PROMISED SUBSTANTIAL AID BUT THEN THE CONGRESS WOULD NOT APPROVE IT. THE AMBASSADOR SAID THIS WAS A GROSS DISTORTION; OUR AID TO EGYPT WAS CONSIDERABLE AND HE WOULD GIVE THE PRINCE THE DETAILS VERY SHORTLY.

2. ACTION REQUESTED:

A) DETAILS OF U.S. AID TO EGYPT IN FY 74 AND FY 75 AND THE PROJECTIONS FOR 1976;

B) ARE THERE, IN FACT, CASES OR PROMISES WHICH HAVE NOT RPT NOT BEEN FULFILLED? WE SUSPECT THIS IS THE LINE THE EGYPTIANS ARE PEDDLING HERE AND IT

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WOULD BE USEFUL TO REFUTE IT.

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